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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: MESSAGE PROGRAM CONTROL METHOD,  
MESSAGE MACHINE USING THE METHOD,  
AND CONTROLLER FOR THE MESSAGE  
MACHINE

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Examiner: Annette F. Dixon

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the non-final Office Action dated March 26, 2008, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration in view of the **Remarks/Arguments** which begin on page 6 of this paper. Also, for the Examiner's convenience, Applicant has provided a complete listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.